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SIX GLENDALE RESIDENTS CHARGED AFTER GUN STORE BURGLARY

PHOENIX - A federal grand jury here recently returned a five-count indictment against six residents of Glendale, Ariz. for charges relating to the theft of firearms from a licenced gun dealer in Glendale. Thomas James Leggitt, Michael Reyna and Kelley Wicktor have been released pending trial, Dustin Paul Wicktor has been summoned to appear in federal court on December 21, 2005, Esteban Felix Quintero is presently in the custody of Maricopa County on unrelated charges and Sonia Felix remains at large.

The defendants were charged per a December 7th indictment as listed in the chart below. Count 1 charges Conspiracy to Steal Firearms from a Licensed Firearms Dealer and Possess Stolen Firearms; Count 2 charges Theft of Firearms from a Licensed Firearms Dealer; Count 3 charges Possession of Stolen Firearms; Count 4 charges Illegal Alien in Possession of Firearms, and Count 5 charges Illegal Reentry After Deportation.

No.	Defendant	Age	Count 1	Count 2	Count 3	Count 4	Count 5
1	Thomas James Leggitt	18	X	X	X		
2	Michael Reyna	18	X	X	X		
3	Dustin Paul Wicktor	18	X	X	X		
4	Kelley Wicktor	20	X		X		
5	Sonia Felix	32	X		X		
6	Esteban Felix Quintero	29	X		X	X	X

An affidavit in support of a complaint against the first four defendants, along with the indictment against all six defendants, alleges that on approximately October 30, 2005, Leggitt, Reyna and Dustin Wicktor broke into Lone Wolf Trading Company, a federally licensed firearms dealer located in Glendale, Ariz., and stole approximately 40 firearms, primarily handguns. After the theft, several members of the conspiracy attempted to sell several of the stolen firearms while others, including Kelly Wicktor, Felix and Quintero, helped to store the stolen firearms in multiple locations. Additionally, Quintero is alleged to be an alien illegally in the U.S. after a prior deportation and an illegal alien in possession of 17 of the firearms.

A conviction for Conspiracy carries a maximum term of five years in prison, convictions for Theft of Firearms From a Licensed Dealer, Possession of Stolen Firearms and Illegal Alien in Possession of Firearms, all carry maximum terms of five years in prison and a conviction for Illegal Reentry After Deportation carries a maximum term of 20 years in prison. Each conviction also carries a maximum fine of \$250,000. In determining the actual sentences, the district court judge will consult the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, which provide appropriate sentencing ranges. The court, however, is not bound by those guidelines in determining each sentence.

An indictment is simply the method by which a person is charged with criminal activity and raises no inference of guilt. An individual is presumed innocent until competent evidence is presented to a jury that establishes guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.

The investigation preceding the indictment was conducted by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and the Glendale Police Department. The prosecution is being handled by Frederick A. Battista and William C. Solomon, Assistant U.S. Attorneys, District of Arizona, Phoenix.

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